

SPRINGVILLE CITY PARKS & RECREATION BOARD

Minutes of the meeting held on March 27, 2014 Community Services Building – 443 S 200 E– 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order by Lisa Willey at 6:36 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Harold Davis made a motion to approve the amended minutes of the meeting held on February 27, 2014. Julie Kappas seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Harold visited some community gardens in West Lafayette, Indiana. Kim Francom has been looking at City properties that have a water source for possible sites for gardens.

ARBOR DAY: Program is at Brookside Elementary. Julie will do t-shirts again. Non-candy prizes are desired such as seedlings, pool passes, coupons and SOS Drug likes doing ice cream cone coupons. Lisa will get some seed packets.

PROPOSALS FOR BANKS OF HOBBLE CREEK THROUGH COMMUNITY PARK: Michael Mills (CUWCD) did a power point presentation on Hobble Creek Restoration. The following is a synopsis of the presentation:

Hobble Creek has been selected as most promising area for spawning the June sucker. Lower Hobble Creek restoration was completed in 2008. This project increased width of river corridor & improved interface with Utah Lake, restored banks & plant vegetation, and added meanders & structure to increase aquatic habitat. This project is south of Camelot. There are two large berms that provide trail access. UTA did the construction work. This whole area floods. The berms keep water from going onto other properties. There is public access to this area and public use is encouraged.

CUWCD's desire is to do more improvements to Hobble Creek. They have opportunity to add water to Hobble Creek from an area east of Wayne Bartholomew Family Park. They have been adding water to the Provo River for twenty years now. Water comes from a pipe out of Strawberry Reservoir. They added four thousand acre feet of water to Hobble Creek in 2013 from the Hobble Creek Valve Station on 400 East. The goal is to maintain summer flows around 10-20 cfs.

Their plan is to improve habitat. There is a lot of debris and trees in some areas of the creek. They will focus on debris removal, bank restoration, trees and vegetation on banks, add boulders for steps for fishing access, and make banks more inviting to encourage people to use the area. They have been talking with Alex Roylance and Jeff Anderson about improving the banks through the community park. Their idea is to reroute the creek so it becomes an amenity to the park. There will be gentle berms instead of steep banks. They will need to go through a lot of studies and designs before work would actually start in maybe 6-8 months. The funding is already in place for this project.

The benefits of this restoration will be improved health & aesthetics of Hobble Creek, increased fish population & habitat diversity, trails & improved access to the creek, increased channel capacity to mitigate flood issues in the area, and to help Hobble Creek become an attraction & community resource.

This presentation is informational for the board. There could be an action item next month. CUWCD could provide some funds for maintenance of developed improvements. There is not much maintenance with natural systems. This could be a ten year process before it is completely finished. Community support is very

important. They could take the board on a tour of what they did in Ogden city.

DISTRITUBION OF COUNTY RECREATION GRANT FUNDS: Chuck Keeler stated that the grant amount this year is \$17,381.28. Museum may have interest in these funds. The decision is up to the City Council. Alex and Chuck discussed some possibilities for using the grant funds; concrete repair at Arts Park, dirt for infields, new electronic piano at Art Shop, rodeo grounds sewer line, splash pad nozzles replacement, Art Shop floor refinishing and repair, soundproofing between Art Shop and offices and new boiler at pool. Harold Davis feels like rodeo grounds need more funds for improvements. Julie also feels that there is a return on the money spent at the rodeo grounds. Lisa Willey thinks we need to get the biggest bang for the buck; splash pad nozzles makes sense because of volume of people that visit there. Some board members don't want to see money put into a new pool boiler if the pool ends up coming down in the near future.

PARKS UPDATE: Dick Sumsion said that contractor's group has come up with \$50,000 for the monument. Rugby, lacrosse and soccer has requested field use. They can't use them in the spring because of work on the fields. Fields will be ready in the fall. Outlook project is 240 twin homes west of Loves. They project it being done within a year. Housing authority is building apartment complex on Main Street where the church was burned down. Julie wanted to know if there will be fields at the new Jr high. There will be fields (not baseball) and tennis courts. Old Jr high will be used for state training.

RECREATION UPDATE: no report

ACTION ITEMS:

Lisa Willey made a motion to recommend to the City Council to allocate grant funds as follows: \$1381.28 for electronic piano, \$4000 for splash pad nozzles, \$5000 for rodeo grounds and \$7000 for the ball fields. Lynn Bartholomew seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: April 24, 2014

ATTENDANCE: Lisa Willey, Katie Sosa, Harold Davis, Julie Kappas, Lynn Bartholomew, Gary Hooper

CITY REPS: Chuck Keeler, Alex Roylance, Chris Creer, Teresa Tipton (Kim Francom excused)

VISITORS: Lee Baxter & Russ Finley- Department of the Interior, Michael Mills, Chris Elison & Nathan Segeberg- CUWCD, Wade Ashby, Jackie Nostrom & Jake Nostrom- Hobble Creek Riding Club.